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Our Ref: 0942.4630001/RWE

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- 1., Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17) (in duplicate);
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (in duplicate);
- 3. Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111:
 - a. Supplemental Declaration for Patent Application (9 sheets); and
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